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## Memorandum

Date:

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To:

**Program Coordination Team** 

From:

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Subject:

Delta Levee System Integrity Common Program

The CALFED Bay Delta Program is in the process of defining a comprehensive program to address Delta levee system integrity. A preliminary identification of the Delta Levee System Integrity Common Program elements is attached for your information. This Common Program will build upon the various existing programs and activities among State, federal, and local agencies, stakeholders and the public. A draft schedule to coordinate with existing activities and programs and identify what additional measures are needed to meet Bay-Delta Program objectives is also attached for your information. As indicated on the attached schedule, refinement of the Common Program is anticipated to continue through the Fall, however, this will not impact completion of the EIR/S. This refinement will be closely integrated with Ecosystem Restoration Program Plan and Delta conveyance actions to simultaneously increase system integrity, increase ecosystem quality, and protect water quality and water supply reliability. Detailed descriptions of each of the Common Program elements will be provided as they become available.

The Ecosystem Restoration Program Plan will address Delta Levee Special Habitat Improvements, Levee Associated Habitat, Delta In-Channel Islands, and Beneficial Reuse of Dredge Material formerly included as elements of the Delta Levee System Integrity Common Program. In addition, the conveyance/storage elements of the alternatives will address the Delta Recreation element formerly included as an element of the Delta Levee System Integrity Common Program. However, these areas will continue to be considered in development of each area of the CALFED Bay-Delta Program.

If you have any questions or would like to participate on the Delta Levee Technical Team, please contact Victor Pacheco at 657-2666.

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